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Dear Sir

Knowing the anxiety you have to [illegible]
security and consolidation of the State, and the
welfare of your constituents, you will be unable to complete the work
of legislation before the next Legislature, I have thought it
advisable, and in conformity with the provisions of the act of the 2[illegible]
of January last, to appoint an assistant Revisor of the Statutes,
who is charged, amongst other duties of information to
the Legislature, and who has been actively employed
in that service. I have the honor to be very respectfully
Your obt. Servt.
Jno. Ford.

Hon. Geo. Poindexter,
President of the Senate.

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Walter Leake Governor of the State of Mississippi
To the Sheriff of Hinds County:

Whereas, Peter Lee, elected as member of the Senate
from the District composed of the County of Hinds, and
Abram M. Scott, as the said elected a member of the House
of Representatives from the said County have respectively
their certificates of election as directed by the Constitution
and Statutes of this State to fill the vacancies occasioned by the
resignation of Thomas Calhoun, and Nicholas Ellis, and to
conduct the said election in all respects, conformably to law.
And whereas, it appears from the returns of the said
election, that Peter Lee, and Abram M. Scott
were duly elected
Now, therefore, I, Walter Leake, Governor of the State
of Mississippi, do issue this writ, authorizing and directing you to hold an election in your County
on Monday the twentieth day of May next, and the
day following, to fill the vacancies occasioned by the
resignation of Thomas Calhoun, and Nicholas Ellis, and to
conduct the said election in all respects, conformably to law.
And

[illegible]

Whereas by an act of the General Assembly of the State of [illegible] the twelfth day of February 1891, the County of Lincoln was established a Separate County, and an election was thereby directed to be held in the said County, on the days of holding the General Election in said State as well for a Representative as a General Assembly and for a Sheriff and Coroner in the said County; and whereas the said Election was duly held on the said days, and the returns thereof duly made to the Secretary of the State of the County of Lincoln and thereupon it became the duty of the Governor of this State to issue a Certificate of Election to the person duly elected to the office of Sheriff of said County; and whereas it appears from the returns of said election that Thomas John Crawford Esquire was duly elected to the office of Sheriff of the County of Lincoln for the term prescribed by law.

Now, therefore, I Lucius Fairchild Governor of the State of Wisconsin do hereby issue this Certificate of Election to the said Thomas John Crawford Esquire as Sheriff of the County of Lincoln.

In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed.

Done at the City of Madison this twenty seventh day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety one and of the Independence of the United States the one hundred and sixteenth.

By the Governor

Lucius Fairchild

Secretary of State.

To the Board of Supervisors of Lincoln County.

Thomas John Crawford Esquire who was elected at the General election held in the Counties of Lincoln and Marathon has exhibited to me a Certificate of his election as Sheriff of the County of Lincoln. These are therefore to require you to take and receive the [illegible] Oath of Office prescribed by the Statutes of this State and to file the same with the Secretary of State and to do all other acts required by law to be done by you in relation to the Office of Sheriff of said County.

Given under my hand at the City of Madison this twenty seventh day of June A.D. 1891.

Lucius Fairchild

Governor.

[illegible] each township. It is not [illegible] law, but the title shall remain in the United States and be held by them in trust for the use and benefit of the inhabitants of the particular township in which it is reserved. The object of this system was deemed necessary by Congress in order to secure to the United States the terms on which the lands were to be granted to actual settlers, and to prevent the monopolizing of the best lands by speculators, to the exclusion of the poor settler. The advantages of this system to the settler are obvious. He is allowed six months after the day of sale within which to make his payment, and at the end of that time, if he fails to make payment, his claim reverts to the United States. He is allowed the right of pre-emption to the quarter section on which he resides, at the minimum price of the public lands, $1.25 per acre, payable in cash at the end of the year. He is also allowed to locate with warrants, issued to certain classes of claimants, any of the unsold lands within the limits of his district, at the rate of the warrant, which is generally much less than the minimum price. The settler is also allowed to enter forty acres of the public lands, at the minimum price, with warrants issued to certain classes of claimants

States from the Legislature of Kentucky, and [illegible] part of
the Legislature of Kentucky, [illegible] part of
thereof, or apparent errors of a document submitted to the State of
Kentucky, by which it appears that the whole amount of Kentucky
aforesaid lands made to the said States and claimed will abate
[illegible] 9,370,760 acres; that the additional amount proposed to exclude
the same system to United States for which no due application has
yet been made, reduces it to 9,370,760 acres, eliminating the whole
quantity of waste lands, yet owned by the United States at
[illegible] 1,400,000 acres." It is presumed, that this eliminate includes all
the unappropriated lands of the United States, and not [illegible] of
the said State of Kentucky, and there is [illegible] more or [illegible]
beyond said [illegible] of that kind. — That, admitting the state and
[illegible] of every acre of land and unappropriated lands,
[illegible] the said states, but not which already exist, and
[illegible] by said state and [illegible] exist, [illegible] they
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] for themselves, a title
to [illegible] which they claim, and which they wish to have [illegible]
off to them either the said States and [illegible] Again, that
[illegible] which ought not to have ceased the [illegible] of the
said [illegible] after the claim, that all the [illegible] all the [illegible]
upon the [illegible] which they have been [illegible], because
[illegible] of the said [illegible] said that [illegible] made
to [illegible] for the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of the [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

Whereas John [illegible] has
[illegible] his certificate, [illegible]
and [illegible] not [illegible]
[illegible] Shes are therefore
[illegible] to [illegible] an election
on the first Monday and the day
next [illegible] Sheriffs in
the several Counties
to [illegible] and make the return
the Secretary of State as soon thereafter
[illegible] with my hand and the
Seal of said State at
Lone this 25th
June A.D. 1829
By the Governor
[illegible] Walker State
[illegible]

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To [illegible] Governor of the State of Mississippi
[illegible] Greeting:

Whereas, William S. Ford, late Coroner of Green
County, has resigned said office; —
These are therefore to direct and require
you to cause an election to be held in your County on the first
Monday and the day next following the second Tuesday in
December next, to fill the vacancy
occasioned by the resignation aforesaid. — And you are to
you to conduct and return the said election in the manner
prescribed by the [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[

In the Circuit Court of the United States
for the District of Kansas

To the Honble and Directors of the
Bank of the State of Mississippi

Gentlemen

I am authorized, by an act
by and act of the General Assembly
June last, to borrow from the Bank
five thousand, five hundred dollars,
for the purpose of opening the navig
Big Black Waters - but not knowing
the banks on loaning money & the Rules
know what acts I am to perform in order to
You will therefore oblige me, by giving me
that subject. A copy of such Resolutions
for me & Signed as Directors of the Bank, would
fully accomodate. I am Gentlemen, Very Respectfully

Yours &c

(Signed) Walter Leake

P.S.

The operations in opening the navigation of the Big Black
are now going on, and the Commissioners for opening
the Pearl River, have commenced - but that work
that a considerable portion of the money will be
As early as July - therefore as possible to this will be
very desirable

W. L

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State of Mississippi

In conformity to an act of the General Assembly
of this State passed on the day of June 1822, authorising
the Governor & Treasurer of the Bank of the State of Mississippi, the sum
of five thousand five hundred dollars, for the purpose of opening
the navigation of Big Black and Pearl Rivers, I Walter Leake
Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby request, for the purpose
purposes mentioned in said act, the loan of the said sum of five thou-
sand, five hundred dollars, and that the same may be paid subject
to the order of the Treasurer of this State for the time being.

Given under my hand at Natchez this 28th
day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty two

Walter Leake

Walter Leake

To the Sheriff of Adams County, and to whom it may Concern:

Whereas on the 4th day of November instant, a Certain Wyatt a free man of Colour, was tried before Henry Chotard a Justice of the peace in and for the County of Adams charge of indecent and unbecoming language used a certain Horace Fulcoy a Constable while discharging his duty as a public officer, on which trial before the Justice of the peace, the said George Wyatt was convicted sentenced by the said Justice of the peace to stand in the public whipping post in the City of Natchez ——— And whereas a number of respectable Citizens in the County of Adams and City of Natchez among whom are names of the said Justice of the peace before whom the Conviction had, and the said Constable who was the prosecutor, have petitioned, that the said offence of said George Wyatt was committed, may be pardoned, and the said punishment may be remitted; Recommending the said George Wyatt, as a fit subject for the exercise of executive clemency. Now therefore, I Walter Leake, Governor the State of Mississippi, in consideration of the premises, do by pardon the said offence of which the said George Wyatt was convicted, and do hereby remit the said punishment sentenced by the said Justice of the peace to pay the costs of the said trial and conviction, and accessories.

Given under my hand and seal, this 7th day of Nov

(L. S.)

Signed Walter Le

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Walter Leake, Governor of the State of Mississippi.

To the Sheriff of Lawrence County and all whom it may Concern:

Whereas at the September Term of the Circuit Court held in the County of Lawrence and State aforesaid Dayton Clarke of said County was convicted of the offence of living in State of Fornication, with a certain Patsey Goulston also said County, and the said Dayton Clarke was by the said Court to pay a fine of two hundred and the costs of prosecution: And whereas a number of respectable Citizens of the said County of Lawrence

[illegible] Joyce [illegible] clemency [illegible] the aforesaid [illegible] the said [illegible] Court and Hundreds and [illegible] leaving the sum of fifty dollars [illegible] fine and the cost of the said [illegible] the execution of this sentence and [illegible]

Given [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

(Signed) [illegible]

(L.S.)

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To the Sheriff of Adams County, and all others, whom it may concern.

Whereas William Ogburn late of Adams County, was tried on an indictment for Petit Larceny, before the Honorable the Circuit Court of the November term 1823, and on the said trial was found guilty by the Verdict of a Jury; And whereas, a number of respectable Citizens of the said County of Adams, have petitioned that the said William Ogburn may be pardoned for the said crime and that the punishment attached by law to the said offence remitted. Reposing confidence in the said Petitioners and in the subject for executive clemency. I Walter Leake, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby pardon the said William Ogburn and do also remit the punishment attached by law to the said crime, the costs of prosecution only excepted.

Given under my hand and Seal this 22nd day of December, 1823 and in the 48th year of American Independence.

(Signed) Walter Leake.

(L.S.)

Natchez

To the Sheriff of Adams

and to all whom it may

Whereas at a Circuit Court holden
for the County of Adams on the day of
Stephen Wilhelm Colona late of the said County of
was tried and convicted of an escape from and after
having a criminal process against him, and was
by the said Court to pay a fine of Fifteen
Costs of prosecution, and also to be imprisoned for
of three months And whereas a number of
Citizens of the said County of Adams, have petitioned
the said offence may be pardoned and that the
punishment may be remitted, commencing the
William Ford, as a fit subject for the exercise of
=ecutive clemency. Now therefore I Walter Burke
Governor of the State of Mississippi, do by these
present, pardon the said offence, and do remit
the said term of three months imprisonment
the fine of Fifty Dollars, and the costs of pro
=cution to be excepted from the operation of this par
and remission.

Given under my hand and
this 13th. day of December
1822, and in the 47th. year
of the Independence of the
United States of America

(Signed) Walter Burke

Gentlemen of the Senate,
and of the House of Representatives.

In taking a retrospect of the past season we have abundant cause for gratitude to the Supreme Being by which, on the dispensations of his providence we have been favored etc. to enjoy. Although we have been visited by affections and torn to the awful King of Terrors, yet those visitations we can and state, than in some of our sister states we have been more favored than here. And while that dreadful scourge of our Country, has made great havoc in some of the principal Cities of several of our sister States, the City of Natchez, the great emporium of our land enjoyed comparatively a great freedom of health. We consider its contiguity to the City of New Orleans, and the continual intercourse between those places, we cannot but wonder that the blessing of providence so much of the inhabitants of Natchez has been among us, and attributable to the perseverance of the Board of health and the police of the City; and that a perseverance in those exertions, will much in preventing the fatal progress of that dreadful disease, by removing many of the causes, and hindrances, the disease daily, life, infections. Although the effects of the drought experienced the past summer, have been considerably felt in many parts of the State, yet it is believed, the products of agriculture will afford an abundant supply of the necessary comforts of life, besides yielding a large surplus for exportation. The laws passed at the last session of the General Assembly, and comprising much the greatest portion of the laws directed to be enforced in the Revised Code, have been recently promulgated, that none has not been afforded, at least time likely to develope their effects. And should experience at first show that any portions of said laws require amendment, it will be easy to [illegible] the Revised Code, to permit those effects

to be discovered by [illegible]

think that we discover defects in laws [illegible]
we have experienced their effects by their operation
consider as their greatest perfection. Thus, it has been
seen that members of a legislature body have themselves
made many of their laws while in their stages, and have
after experience discovered their effects, become admirers of
same laws. Besides unless a law could occasionally be
seen in its operation, if the next succeeding legislature
were to repeal it, merely because they were
might not to have been, it would create a continual
of our Code of laws, whereby the greatest portion of our
citizens who are to be governed by them, would be
ignorant of what they were, and those who should
the law, would have much uncertainty and perplexity
ascertaining and defining it to the various cases, on which
they would have to decide. And even those, who pro-
fess it necessary for them to know and understand the
words of the Code themselves must at a loss in the
application professional labors, in consequence of the continual
repeal and modification of our Statutes. From these, we should be again
back into the same difficulties, from which we have to be
relieved, at so great an expense, as that incurred by the
adoption and publication of our Statutes. Nor are these the only
evils that result from frequent changes and alterations in the
of a State: it begets a spirit of innovation in society, and
a favorable opportunity for demagogues to disturb the public
by pointing out imaginary defect in laws just
leaders them unprincipled with the people, and thereby
down those who passed their passage, that they may
have an opportunity of being elected in their stead. If
they have but little regard of their own, they cannot
their acts, unless they can make the people
their acts misrepresented have been guilty of some
in advocating laws which those demagogues endeavor
are so repugnant to the interest and happiness of the community
and that should the laws of every succeeding legislature be
innovations upon those of the preceding one. As the
mind is to frame as to produce a
the same subject be taken up
entirely meet the

[illegible] the Commissioners [illegible] the Counties [illegible]
[illegible] shall from time to time meet every [illegible]
not made [illegible] such observations as [illegible]
that he thought necessary, there would
to all useful Legislation. When there
various opinions of different persons would
must naturally conclude, that as law
profession of every person, not that the
law can meet the ends aforesaid
And as we know that deeds and
the rights of persons are frequently to be settled
Law, it becomes much more important, that
known and understood, than that they should be
opposed by every member of society; because it is
but difficult to attain, to have laws remain permanent
the latter is impracticable in any situation of things. It must
not however be understood to mean, that our laws should, like
those of the Medes and Persians, remain forever unalterable
but that they should only be altered when their defects
have been developed by their practical operation
when these defects shall be palpable and apparent to the
bar, to every enquiring and judicious mind, for then a
majority in Legislative Science, that too much Legislation is the
most alarming to society, than too little. In conformity with
the provisions of an act of the General Assembly, approved the
30th of June last, three Commissioners have been appointed
Board for the printing and binding of fifteen hundred
of the Edition of the laws of this State, who have entered
into contracts for the performance of that work. A person
has been appointed to make an appendix, index, and
marginal notes, to the said Edition, under whose superintendence
the printing of the same is to be conducted.
The sum of five thousand five hundred dollars, authorized by an act of the last Session of the General Assembly
for the purpose of opening the Penn and Big Black Rivers
within the State from the Banks of the State of Mississippi
in order to secure the payment of interest on receivers, &c
which [illegible] be found to become due, until
[illegible] be repaid.

I deem therefore, [illegible]
collection and the money placed subject to the
In compliance with the resolution of the Legislature
approved on the 29th of June last, authorizing the Treas
to procure, at the expense of the State, one elegant c
of the Encyclopedia, to be presented to George Cand
late Governor of this State, I have ordered the same to
purchased, and so soon as I shall have received it, I will
without delay, carry into effect the intentions of the Legis
The annual report of the Auditor of Public accounts
disclose to you the condition of the revenue, and the e
transactions of the past year. As but few of the offic
Collectors for the year 1832, have returned their
to the Auditory to the Auditor of Public accounts, it
impossible to form an estimate of the public revenue f
the year last. On the first day of January the commencem
of the fiscal year there was no money in the Treasury
but it is known, that payments to a considerable amou
will be made by the first day of January next.
By an act of the last Session of the General Assembly
Sheriffs made the duty of the Collectors of the several
to pay the moneys by them collected of taxes in
State, on or before the first Monday in November
each year." But this law has been so recently passed
that it is presumed, but few Collectors were prepared
Contents: hence we do probability, but little more than
large a small portion of the revenue has been paid into
Treasury. There is yet due from Collectors for several
preceding the last, a considerable sum, to enforce the
of which, the Auditor of Public accounts has, in
instances, directed legal proceedings to be taken, in the
Courts of the several Counties in which the defaulting Coll
respectively reside. But it is questionable, whether
will be practicable of this sum, will be entirely lost
State, by the failure of the Collectors in every case to
secured. In order to secure more promptitude in Collect
paying the revenue into the Treasury of the State, I would
respectfully submit to the consideration of the General Assembly, whether it
not be proper to increase the Emoluments of the Collect
Collectors who refuse to pay their Collections by the
on or before the first

and [illegible] to [illegible]
[illegible] and to [illegible] all [illegible]
moneys [illegible] into the Treasury, in
of [illegible] following. Experience has
[illegible] daily, the inability of some [illegible]
Collectors has frequently, even [illegible]
their collections [illegible] induced [illegible] unite
funds in order to attain the [illegible]
[illegible], that [illegible] cause [illegible]
[illegible] retained [illegible] the State, [illegible]
of collected, which are [illegible] to [illegible]
must to their own interest, to [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] to attend to their own [illegible]
[illegible] of pressing things; calculating [illegible]
to their own interest than equal to the [illegible]
commissions for collection, - that they would [illegible]
indulgence from the State, and still be entitled to [illegible]
full commissions for collecting, and that the profits arising
from the use of the money, would be [illegible] gain.

In some instances, no doubt, such calculations have [illegible]
fully realized; but in other instances, owing to some [illegible]
circumstance, or unforeseen accident, they have themselves
taken, and one [illegible] forgetting another, until at last
they entirely fail, and their [illegible], being then found
a connecting [illegible] and sometimes involved in the same [illegible]
and often they are not, the great [illegible] [illegible]
in paying [illegible] of their [illegible], frequently [illegible]
them to retain any part in their power, however distant
the [illegible] from such payments -
the [illegible] expenses of the execution [illegible], from the
day of January last, up to the present time, [illegible]
$18,172 leaving a surplus of the appropriation for that object
of $18,828, which will be transferred to the general account
of the Treasury, an account of which, will be transmitted to the
General Assembly in a short time. It is to be presumed, that
application will be renewed to Congress, during their present
session by some of the oldest States in the Union, for donation
or appropriation of a portion of the public lands of the United
States, as a source of funds for the prosecution of
[illegible] within the right of the several States of the Union,
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] purpose.

I would therefore, respectfully suggest to the General
the propriety of making this application by a Committee
against a claim so unjustly and unjustifiable
Having submitted my views on this important subject
my message to the General Assembly in June last, I again refer
upon to that message, together with the documents accompanying
the same, for your further information on relation thereto.
Elected Citizens, Before I close this communication, permit
me to congratulate you on your first meeting at the place
determined on as the permanent seat of our Government
future, for the first time your deliberations may be conducted
in a house, the property of the State, and elected exclusively
for the purpose of legislation; and also, on the prospect of
comfortable accommodations at a place, where so little could
have been reasonably expected. Sanguine hopes, however, of
of your accommodations will not be equal to the wishes
those who provide them, they will at least exceed the anti-
-cipations of those who partake of them. When we reflect
that this Town was but a short time since, entirely in the
woods, in the midst of a wilderness, the former abode of
unlettered savages, who drew a scanty support from the
of the forest and not by agriculture pursuits; — that
little more than six months has elapsed by since the Seat
Jackson was laid off; — that but few persons have as yet
authorized to occupy this theatre; — the great distance
from whence all necessary supplies are to be transported,
a country too, where no persons reside to keep the roads
Repair; — and more all, when we view the number, dur
and style of the buildings erected in the town of Jack
— we cannot but admire the enterprize, industry and
— ence of its citizens, and at the same time feel dis
to extend to them every indulgence, which
circumstances may render necessary.
With sincere desire, fellow Citizens, that a spirit
harmony may characterize your deliberations, and that public
— ness may be dispatched as early as its importance will admit
I tender you the assurance of my cordial cooperation in all
measures calculated to promote the public interest.
(Signed) Walter Leake
Jackson, December 24th, 1822.

To the General Assembly,

Assembly Walter M Dunn and [illegible]
to fill the Vacancy in the office of [illegible]
Judge Second District, and Judge the [illegible]
present General Assembly, Thomas A. [illegible]
his Commission as District Attorney for [illegible]
Districts.

Jackson Jany 14th 1823.

Walter J. [illegible]

Executive Chamber [illegible]

To the General Assembly,

I herewith transmit to the [illegible]
by a letter from the Secretary of State, relative to the [illegible]
Recommitted of Samuel C. Hollidge as Treasurer of the [illegible]
that office.

(Signed) Walter Leake

Executive Chamber 23rd [illegible]

To the House of Representatives,

In compliance with the resolution of the House of Representatives of the 15th Instant, requesting me to lay before them "a list of Vacancies that now exist, or that will occur by the legal term of office expiring before the next meeting of the General Assembly" I transmit to the House a letter of the Secretary of State, on relation to that subject. From which it will appear, that having received the resignation of Thomas Hubbard Esquire, Judge of Probate of the County of Jackson, that office is now vacant.

(Signed) Walter Leake

Executive Chamber, 13th Jany 1823.

To the General Assembly,

It is ordered, that the act of the General Assembly entitled "An act declaring what laws of a Public nature shall be incorporated in the Revised Code, and providing for the publication thereof" approved June 7th 1822, be extended an act passed in January 1818 making it permanent at the session of fifteen hundred dollars be allowed for Contingent expenses of the Executive Department, for the ensuing year, and recommended to the General Assembly the passage of the same.

(Signed) Walter Leake

Jackson 1st January 1823

Dear Sir,

In conformity to the act of the General Assembly of this State, passed the 4th February, I have this day appointed the following Gentlemen, Directors of the Bank of the State of Mississippi, for the term prescribed by law, Viz:

Samuel Postlethwaite, James C. Wilkins, Edw. Turner, Joseph Speights and William B. Shields.

I have the honor, Sir, to be very respectfully, Your ob't Serv't.

Gab. Richard Esq. (Signed) Walter Leake.
Cashier of the Bank at Natchez.

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Walter Leake, Governor of the State of Mississippi, to the Sheriff of Lawrence County, and to all whom it may concern:

Whereas, at the March Term of the Circuit Court held in and for the County of Lawrence, in the year eighteen hundred and twenty two, Andrew Scott was convicted of a misdemeanor, in a certain action of debt, upon penal statute, was entered against him at the said Term, for said year, and the fine of one hundred dollars was imposed by the Court, and whereas, it has been satisfactorily shown to me that the said Andrew Scott, is a fit and proper object of Executive clemency:

Now Know Ye, That by virtue of the power in me vested as Governor of the State aforesaid, I do pardon the said Andrew Scott, and remit unto him the said fine, which he is liable to suffer by the Judgment of said Court, on the payment of the costs only ten dollars, and all legal costs and charges.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State at the Town of Jackson the 17th day of January A.D. 1823 and of the Independence of the United States of America the 47th.

By the Governor. (Signed) Walter Leake.
John A. Quitman
Secretary of State.

Walter Leake, Governor

To the Sheriff of Marion County

Greeting:

Whereas at a late Court Martial held in and for the County of Marion, Lieut. [illegible] of an Assault and Battery on the body of [illegible] and by the Sentence of said Court Martial was fined in the sum of Thirty dollars; which sentence was duly approved by the Executive, that the said [illegible] pay the said fine, and the costs of prosecution, and stand committed until the same be complied with, as by the Record of the proceedings of said Court Martial now remaining in the Executive Office more fully appears.

Now Know Ye, That by virtue of the powers and authority in me vested by the Constitution of this State aforesaid, I do pardon the said [illegible] the fine and costs of prosecution aforesaid, and twenty dollars of said fine; the said [illegible] paying the costs of this suit and all legal costs and charges.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State at the Town of Jackson, the 28th day of January 1823

By the Governor (Signed) Walter Leake

John A. Grimball

Secretary of State.

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Walter Leake, Governor of the State of Mississippi.

To all whom it may Concern:

Whereas, by a late Court Martial held on the 6th Regiment and County of Claiborne Jacob Gibson was sentenced to pay a fine of twenty four dollars as a defaulter at a Drill Muster of said Regiment; and whereas, it has been represented to the Executive, that the said Jacob Gibson did not wilfully neglect to attend said Drill Muster, and that he is a fit and proper object of Executive clemency.

Now Know Ye, That by virtue of the powers and authority vested in me by the Constitution of this State aforesaid, I do remit the said Jacob Gibson, and cancel the said fine of twenty four dollars, imposed by the aforesaid Court.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State, at the Town of Jackson, the 21st day of January, A.D. 1823.

Walter Leake

By the Governor (Signed)

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Secretary of State

Walter Lasle, Governor of the State of Mississippi.

To all, and Singular these Presents:

Whereas, at the late November term of the Circuit Court in and for the County of Adams, John Moor was convicted of an Assault and Battery, and sentenced by the said Court to pay a fine of fifty dollars, and to remain in close confinement for the space of three months; - And whereas it has been represented to me, by many respectable Citizens of said County, that the said John Moor is an industrious, honest and peaceable Citizen, and a fit object of Executive Clemency - Now Know Ye, that by virtue of the powers in me vested, as Governor of the State aforesaid, I do pardon the said John Moor the residue of the fine and imprisonment aforesaid; - upon condition that the said John Moor pay the costs and Charges.

Given under my hand, and the Great Seal of the State, at the City of Jackson, this 20th day of January, A.D. 1823.

By the Governor, Walter Leake

John A. Quitman, Secretary of State.

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Walter Leake, Governor of the State of Mississippi,

To all, and Singular these Presents:

Whereas at a late Term of the Circuit Court of Franklin County David May was convicted of an Assault and Battery on one Josiah Mobley, and was sentenced by the said Court to pay a fine of two hundred dollars, - And whereas it has been satisfactorily represented to the Executive, that the said David May, is an industrious, honest and peaceable Citizen, and a fit and proper object of Executive Clemency - Now Know Ye, that by virtue of the powers in me vested, as Governor of the State aforesaid, I do pardon the said David May, and remit one hundred and eighty dollars of the fine, so adjudged that the said David May pay the costs, and all legal costs and Charges.

Given under my hand, and the Great Seal of the State, at the City of Jackson, this 20th day of January, A.D. 1823

By the Governor. Walter Leake

John A. Quitman, Secretary of State.

Walter Leake, Governor

To any Justice of the County

Whereas, it has been represented to me, that the county of Jefferson properly qualified, no election has been held for the County of Jefferson, agreeably to an act of the Legislature, passed February ——, and whereas, it is necessary that the County be regularly organized; I do therefore by these presents, authorize you to hold an election at the usual places of holding elections in said County, on Friday the 25th day of April next, the day following, for the said County of Jefferson, and hereby appoint you to conduct said election respectively conformably to law, and to make due returns of the same to me, as the law directs. Given under my hand and seal of the State

[seal]

the Town of Jackson this 31st day of March A.D. 1823.

By the Governor (signed) Walter Leake

John A. Grimball

Secretary of State.

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Walter Leake Governor of the State of Mississippi,

To the Sheriff of Jefferson County, and to all others whom it may concern.

Whereas at a Circuit Court held for the County of Jefferson, on the 29th day of March last a certain Reuben Pierce was tried and convicted of the crime of feloniously taking and carrying away two negroes, the property of a certain Richard M. Kelly, — And whereas the Jury in the said Court did recommend the said Reuben Pierce to the mercy of the Executive, as by the record of the said Court will more fully appear, and whereas the Judge who presided during the said trial, together with many respectable citizens of the said County of Jefferson, have represented to me as well as by petition, praying the exercise of Executive clemency: Now therefore I Walter Leake Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby pardon the said R. Reuben Pierce, and remit the punishment which he was sentenced to suffer; the costs of the prosecution only excepted.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State at the Town of Jackson, the 3rd day of April 1823.

By the Governor (signed) Walter Leake

John A. Grimball

Secretary of State.

Walter Leake, Governor of the State of Mississippi

To the Sheriff of Lawrence County, and to any

Person of any Person:

Whereas a Circuit Court holden for the County of Lawrence

on the Fourth of September 1822 Peter E. Austin was

discovered as a witness on behalf of the State, in a pros-

ecution of one Calvin Howard Mississippi for murder and

was prevented from attending as a witness, but Recognized

by the said Court, in consequence of his default in that

behalf on a fine of one hundred dollars. And

Whereas application is made to me by Edward E. Palmer

Esq. Attorney for the County of Lawrence, praying that

a writ of Subpoena may issue, directed to the Sheriff of

Lawrence County, commanding him to summon the said Peter

E. Austin to appear before the Circuit Court of the County

of Lawrence, at the next Term thereof, to be holden at the

Court House in Monticello, on the first Monday after the

fourth Monday in September next, to testify and the truth

to say, on behalf of the State, in the prosecution against

the said Calvin Howard, for murder, and to abide by and

perform such order, decree and judgment as the said Court

shall make in the premises, under the penalty of one hundred

dollars, to be forfeited to the use of the State, in case

he shall fail to appear as aforesaid.

Given under my hand and

Seal of State, this 19th day of September A.D.

one thousand eight hundred and twenty two, and in the forty

seventh year of the Independence of the United States

of America.

Walter Leake.

By the Governor (Signed)

John A. Quitman

Secretary of State

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Walter Leake, Governor of the State of Mississippi,

To the Coroner of Covington County,

Whereas it has been represented to me, that by the division of

the County of Covington, the late Sheriff for said County

is now thrown into that part which constitutes the County of Simp-

son, and that the office of Sheriff for Covington County is vacant

& do therefore issue this writ of election, directing and requiring you

holds an election in your County on Monday the 19th day of May

and the day following, to supply the vacancy in the office

of Sheriff, and whereas, I do enjoin upon you to conduct said elec-

tion and respects, conformably to law. Given under my hand

and the Great Seal of the State

this [illegible] day of [illegible] 1822 Walter Leake

By the Governor

[illegible] Secretary

Walter Leake Governor

To the Sheriff of Adams County & others,

Greeting &c. Know ye,

Whereas, at a Circuit Court held for the [illegible]

The ... day of ..., a forfeiture was [illegible]

entered upon Scire facias issued on a Recognizance [illegible]

Edward Laurence Smith as Security for the [illegible]

William Wilkinson at a Circuit Court [illegible] of Adams,

within the ... day of May, 1821 [illegible]

of respectable Citizens of the said County of [illegible] appointed

the said Laurence Smith, as a fit subject for the exercise of Executive

Clemency, and the said Wilkinson having offered at

the return day of the said facias therein forfeiture and

said Recognizance for the sum of Two hundred dollars might not to

be entered; - Whereupon I, Walter Leake Governor of the

State of Mississippi, do remit the said forfeiture of two

hundred dollars, - the costs of the Scire facias only excepted.

Given under my hand and Seal

this 6th day of May, A.D. 1823

and of the Independence of the United

States of America -

By the Governor Signed Walter Leake

John A. Grimball

Secretary of State

Natchez, 7th May, 1823.

Dear Sir,

Enclosed, I have the honor to transmit to

you, a Commission as Escheator General for the State

of Mississippi, with a request, that you signify, as soon as convenient

to me at this place, your acceptance or non acceptance

of the same, as it is important the office should be filled.

With due respect Sir,

I am Your obt Servt

(Signed) Walter Leake

Hiel Tarpin Esquire

Walter Leake, Governor of the State of Mississippi

To the Sheriff of Wayne County, and to all

whom it may concern:

Whereas at a Circuit Court held for the County of Wayne,
on October, 1829, John Hamman was convicted on an indict-
ment for an assault and battery, and the said John
Hamman was awarded by the said Court in a fine of forty
dollars, and costs of prosecution; which conviction, it has been
represented to me, by the affidavits of several respectable persons
of the said County of Wayne, that the prosecution was
vexatious and malicious, and brought to oppress and harass
said John Hamman; and that he is a fit and proper
object of Executive clemency —

And therefore, I Walter Leake Governor
of the State aforesaid, do hereby remit the said John
Hamman said fine of forty
dollars, in order that the aforesaid John Hamman may be
relieved, however, the cost of prosecution.

Given under my hand
and the Great Seal of the
State, at the Town of Jack-
son, this 12th day of May, 1830
and in the 54th year of
the Independence of the
United States of America

Walter Leake.

By the Governor. (Signed)
John A. Grayson,
Secretary of State.

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Jackson, 12th May, 1830.

(a copy)

In conformity to the act of the Gen-
eral Assembly of this State, passed the 4th February, 1818, I
have the honor to afford you a Director of the Pen
of the State of Mississippi, to purpose the Vacancy
occasioned by the death of the Honorable, Wm. Sha
I am respectfully your
Your obt. Sr.
(Signed) Walter Leake
Wm. John Scot.

Walter Leake Esq

To the Sheriff of Lauderdale

Whereas Thomas Anderson Esquire, [illegible]
of the Senate, from the District [illegible]
Lauderdale, in the General Assembly [illegible]
his Seat; I do therefore, issue this [illegible]
reciting you, to hold an election on the [illegible]
ensuing next, and the day following [illegible]
Lauderdale to fill the vacancy [illegible]
of the said Thomas Anderson. And, hereby, [illegible]
you to conduct the said Election in all things conformable
to law.

Given under my hand and seal of
the State, at the Town of Jackson, this 28th
day of May A.D. 1833

By the Governor Walter Leake

John A Quitman
Secretary of State

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By Walter Leake Governor of the State of Mississippi

A Proclamation

Whereas, it has been represented to the Executive of this State that a certain Sabey Davis, did on the 22nd day of March last wilfully commit the crime of murder upon the body of a certain Indian, by the name of White Feather, in the County of Hinds; and whereas justice and the safety of society require that the said Davis, should be convicted and punished. I do therefore issue this Proclamation, hereby offering a reward of $200 to any person or persons who shall apprehend and secure in Jail, the aforesaid Sabey Davis; and do moreover, require all officers, civil and military, under the Government of this State to use their best endeavors, to apprehend the said Sabey Davis, that he may be dealt with according to law. Given under my hand and the seal of the State, at the Town of Jackson, the 31st day of December, A.D. 1833, and of the Independence of the said State the 58th

(Signed) Walter Leake

By Walter Leake, Governor of the State of Mississippi.

A Proclamation!

Whereas, it has been represented to the Executive of this State, that a certain Negro man by the name of Jarry, did on the 14th day of May last, wilfully commit the crime of murder upon the body of a certain Negro woman named Lucy, in the County of Wayne; And whereas, Justice and the dignity of Society require that the said Jarry should be brought to trial. I do therefore issue this Proclamation hereby offering a reward of Two hundred Dollars, to any person or persons, who shall apprehend and secure the aforesaid James Garner, and I do hereby require all officers, civil and military, and enjoin the good people of this State, to use their best endeavors to apprehend the said Jarry, that he may be dealt with according to law.

Given under my hand, and the Seal of the State, at the City of Jackson, this 13th day of June, 1833, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the 57th.

Walter Leake,

(Signed)

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By Walter Leake, Governor of the State of Mississippi.

A Proclamation!

Whereas, it has been represented to the Executive of this State, that a certain Negro man by the name of Jerry, did on the 14th day of May last escape from the Jail of Wilkinson County, to which he had been committed, charged under sentence of death; and whereas, Justice and the dignity of Society require that the said Jerry should be apprehended and dealt with according to the sentence of the law. I do therefore issue this Proclamation, hereby offering a reward of two hundred dollars, to any person or persons who shall apprehend and secure in Jail the aforesaid Jerry, so that he may be dealt with according to law. Given under my hand and the Seal of the State, at Jackson, this 13th day of August, 1833.

Walter Leake,

Jerry was formerly the property of Stephen Ellis of Wilkinson County, and had been committed under sentence of death, for the crime of burglary; he is about [illegible] years of age, and between [illegible] feet [illegible] inches high, of a black complexion, has a [illegible]

Sec. 2. Be it enacted [illegible] that each [illegible]
accord[illegible] to [illegible] to elect [illegible]
declaration of [illegible] tracts of [illegible] be [illegible]
provided by [illegible] to the [illegible] for [illegible]
of a [illegible] or [illegible] of [illegible]
which the act of [illegible] 3. Marking [illegible]
the aforesaid purpose [illegible] to be [illegible] the [illegible]
of the Academy [illegible] called [illegible] of [illegible] tracts to be
made as aforesaid [illegible] to the [illegible], for
the benefit of which the [illegible] and [illegible] of
proceeds [illegible] to be [illegible] for [illegible]
aforesaid. A further [illegible] of the [illegible] is [illegible]
to [illegible]

(to make)

Tract No. 1, including Sections No. 28, 33, and 34 of Township
15 of Range 3 East; and Section No. 3 of Township 14, Range
3 East.

Tract No. 2, including Section No. 1, 2 and 3 of Township
[illegible] of Range 3 East.

Tract No. 3, including Sections 35 and 36 of Township
4, Range 3 East, and Section 31 and 32 of Township 5
Range 4 East.

Tract No. 4 including Sections 1, 11, 12 and 14 of Township
5 South 9 Range 4 West.

Tract No. 5, including Sections 17 and 18 of Township
1, Range 4 West and Section 13 of Township 11 Range 5 East.

Tract No. 6, including Sections 34, 26 and 36, of Township 7, Range
1 East, and Section 31 in Township 7, Range 2 East.

Tract No. 7, including Section 13, 23 and 24 in Township 8,
Range 3 West, and Section 18, in Township 8, Range 2 East.

By examining the general Map of the said Surveyed
Public Lands annexed, it will be seen, that although
the foregoing Tracts are not all alike a perfect square, or
long square, yet every Tract, contains
within Section lines the same circuit length, and not
more or less than four, such Sections, excepting
such [illegible] as [illegible] in Section making the Section
[illegible] but these are only such Tracts [illegible] as
[illegible] [illegible] making any such [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] to [illegible]

Location of the eight [illegible] and the [illegible] hundreds, thereby created by the Statutes, shall have been [illegible] and such Courts, as they may wish, to have the two terms [illegible] of four Terms, each [illegible] created within the County, the [illegible] which, are now pending, and which remain, will be completed.

Since the terms to be set, with regard to Convenience, Power must attend.

I. (Signed) Walter Leake

The Gov.

William H. Crawford.

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Walter Leake, Governor of the State of Mississippi.

To the Sheriff of Lawrence County.

Whereas, at a Circuit Court held for the County of Lawrence in April last, a forfeiture was taken on a Recognizance entered into by E. S. Revell & C. Summers for the appearance of John Goodrich to answer a Charge of Criminal Prosecution for the Sum of one hundred Dollars. And whereas, it hath been represented to me, that the said Revell and Summers, did after such default aforesaid, obtain a Writ of Certiorari from the Clerk of the said County of Lawrence the said Judgments aforesaid to be made final. And whereas also, divers respectable inhabitants of said County of Lawrence, together with the honorable, the Judge of the said Circuit Court, and the Attorney General, have petitioned, that the said forfeitures may be remitted. Now therefore, I, the said Governor, by virtue of the powers in me vested as Governor aforesaid, do by these presents, remit the said forfeiture of one hundred Dollars, entered by the said Court against E. S. Revell and also the forfeiture of one hundred Dollars entered by the said Court against C. C. Summers, the costs of the prosecution, only excepted. Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State at the Town of Jackson, this day of September A.D. 1822.

Walter Leake

By the Governor. (Signed)

James A. Guthrie

Secretary of State

Walter Leake Governor

of the State Commonwealth

Whereas it has been represented to the Executive

that the late Sheriff of Warren County

Do therefore issue this writ of election

directing you, to hold an election in your

Monday and the day following on

the vacancy occasioned by the

And moreover, I do enjoin upon you to

in all respects conformably to law.

Given under my hand and seal at

the Town of Jackson this

day of January in the year

and of the Independence of the

United States of America

the 47th.

By the Governor (Signed) Walter Leake

Edmund Greenleaf

Secretary of State

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Walter Leake, Governor of the State of Mississippi,

To the Sheriff of Claiborne County.

Whereas at a Circuit Court continued and held for the County

of Claiborne, on the 20th day of September Instant John

P. Taylor of the said County of Claiborne was convicted of the

offence of an Assault and Battery with an intent to kill

and murder, and was, by the said Court, sentenced to pay a

fine of fifty Dollars, and to suffer two months imprisonment in

the Jail of the said County: And whereas, a number of respectable

Citizens of the said County, have petitioned, that the said imprison-

ment may be remitted; and have represented the said John

P. Taylor as a fit subject of Executive Clemency,

Now Therefore I Walter Leake, Governor of the said

State of Mississippi, do by Virtue of the powers in me vested

as Governor of the State aforesaid, pardon the said John P.

Taylor, and remit the said two months imprisonment, which the said

Taylor was sentenced to suffer, leaving the said fine, and the costs

of prosecution to be paid by the said John P. Taylor.

Given under my hand and seal at [illegible] 22nd

day of September A.D. 1823.

By the Governor (Signed) Walter Leake

Edmund Greenleaf

Secretary of State

Walter Leake Governor of the State of Mississippi

To the Sheriff of Warren County.

Whereas, at a Circuit Court holden for the County of Warren in the month of September (instant) one James Face was convicted of the offence of an attempt to Burglariously break and enter the dwelling house of Edward Evans, with intent to kill the said Evans, and the Court before whom, &c. did adjudge, that the said James Face should be confined in the Penitentiary two months, and pay a fine of one hundred Dollars, and the costs of the prosecution: and whereas a number of respectable citizens of the said County of Warren have represented the said James Face as a fit subject for Executive clemency, and have petitioned the Executive to remit the said fine and imprisonment:

Now therefore I Walter Leake, Governor of the State of Mississippi do by virtue of the power in me vested hereby remit the said James Face, and remit the said imprisonment, and so much of the said fine, twenty five Dollars, the remaining fifty Dollars, the remainder of the said fine, and the cost of prosecution to be paid by the said James Face. But this remission is granted on this express condition, that the said James Face shall before he is discharged from his imprisonment, pay the said fifty Dollars the remaining part of the fine and the costs of the prosecution, or he the said James Face, shall give bond with sufficient security to be approved by the Sheriff, Coroner or Tax Collector of the said County of Warren that he will pay the same on or before the first day of January next.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of State, this 22nd day of September 1823. and in the 48th year of the Independence of the United States of America.

Walter Leake

By the Governor (Signed)
John A. Grimball
Secretary of State.

Walter Leake, Governor of the
State of Mississippi

To all who shall see these Presents
Greeting Be it, That at the tenth day of January last, the
General Assembly of this State appointed, according to
the Constitution of the United States and the Laws thereof
in such case made and provided, to elect a person to execute
the Office of Senator of the United States from this State, for the
Term of six years, commencing on the 4th day of March last,
and have certified to me, that Thomas H. Williams Esq
was duly elected Senator as aforesaid

Now therefore I do proclaim and declare
the said Thomas H. Williams Esq. to be a Senator on
the Part of this State of the United States from the State of Mississippi
for and during the term aforesaid

Given under my hand and
the Great Seal of the State
at the Town of Jackson, this
7th day of October, 1833,
and of the Independence of the
United States of America,
the 58th.

By the Governor
John A. Grant (Signed) Walter Leake
Secretary of State

Jackson 7th October 1833.

Sir,

Lieutenant Isaac A. Adams the officer
in command of the United States arsenal at Natchez
has been instructed by me to deliver to you at Natchez
three hundred and ninety two muskets being the proportion
of arms due to the State of Mississippi under the act of
Congress of April 1808. You will therefore receive them
and give receipts to him, and give duplicate receipts for the same
Having received them you will keep them safely until
further directions from the Executive of this State.

I have the honor to be Sir Very
Respectfully Your Obt. Sert
Walter Leake.

Col. John Richards.

Sir, I have been superseded by Lieut. Col. Geo. [illegible] an order stating that you are visiting [illegible] to deliver [illegible] any order, Instructions or Arms &c. given [illegible] by me, [illegible] according to the appointment of and to the United States and Territories of the United States, procured under the act of April 1808 &c.

From the Statement made by Col. Burford there is due to this State, three hundred and ninety two muskets of Small Arms for which I should like proper to receive receipts before I have conceded to do. You will therefore transmit by Lieut. Richard, Quarter Master General of this State residing at Natchez, three hundred and ninety two muskets which will be instructed to receive Statement Particulars and for the necessary receipts thereof.

I have the honor to be Sir,
Your Most Obt. Servt.
(Signed) John Coffee
Adjt. Gen.

To the Governor of the State of Mississippi

To the Sheriff of Lawrence County

Whereas, it has been represented to the Governor, that at the late September Term of the Circuit Court, held for said County of Lawrence, a certain Carey Hafs was tried on the charge of two counts for assault and battery, and on Saturday evening last the death of Andrews was threatened by the Court to be for six months imprisonment in the Jail of said County, and whereas it has been also represented that the said Carey Hafs has a wife and two small Children, who are entirely dependent on the for support for subsistence. Now therefore Know Ye that by the powers in me vested as Governor of the State aforesaid, I do hereby remit the fine and costs of the said Carey Hafs, and remit the sentence of the Court, on the said Carey Hafs's [illegible] the costs of prosecution.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State at the Town of Jackson this 1st day of October A.D. 1832.

By the Governor
John A. Grenville
Secty of State

Walter Leake

To the Sheriff of Hinds County, Greeting

Whereas Benjamin Smith Esquire who was elected a Representative to the next General Assembly from the County of Hinds has since died after the appointment of Sheriff to the Circuit Court of said County and thereby vacated his seat in the General Assembly of this State: Now therefore issue this writ of election, and enjoining you directing you to hold an Election in your County on Monday the 24th of November next and the day following for the purpose of electing a Representative to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of the said Benjamin Smith, and I do further enjoin upon you to conduct the said election in all respects according to law

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State at the Town of Jackson, this 27th day of October A.D. 1823.

By the Governor (Signed) Walter Leake

John A Grimball

Secretary of State

Walter Leake Governor of the State of Mississippi

To any Sheriff of the County of Yazoo County

Whereas by an act Establishing Yazoo County it is made the duty of the Executive to cause elections to be holden in said County for Sheriff and Coroner.

I do therefore issue this writ of Election commanding and directing you to hold an Election in your County at the house of David Busby on Friday the first day of March next and the day following for the purpose of electing a Sheriff and Coroner for the County of Yazoo. And moreover I do enjoin you to conduct the said election in all respects conformably to law and to make due returns thereof as soon thereafter as may be practicable to the office of Secretary of State.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State at Jackson this 8th day of Feby. 1823.

By the Governor Walter Leake

John A Grimball

Secretary of State

P.S. A copy mutatis mutandis was sent to each of the Counties of Bainbridge and Copiah

State of [illegible]

Whereas at the July Term of the Criminal Court of the Co[illegible] a certain John D Thomas was convicted of the Crime of [illegible] thereu sentenced by the said Court to be hung by the neck until he be dead which sentence was ordered by the said Court to be executed on Saturday the 27th day of September then next ensuing.

And Whereas a number of respectable Citizens of said County of Adams have represented the said John D Thomas as a fit subject for the exercise of Executive Clemency and have petitioned that the said offence of which he stands convicted may be pardoned and that the punishment conseq[uent] thereon may be remitted

Now therefore I Walter Leake Governor of the State of Mississippi do by Virtue of the Power vested in me by the Constitution and laws of this State hereby pardon the offence of which the said John D Thomas convicted and remit the said punishment which he has been by the said Court sentenced to suffer the Costs of Prosecution only excepted which costs the said John D Thomas is still liable to pay and which as a condition of this pardon, he shall pay, or remain in Prison until they shall be paid

Given under my hand and seal this 13th day of 1823 and in the [illegible] year of the Independence of the United

signed Walter Leake

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State of Mississippi

Whereas at a Circuit Court held in and for the County of Perry October Term 1823. a certain Sabain Walker and William Jones were duly convicted of the Crime of Manslaughter committed on the body of a negro man named Dick and for the said offence were by the said Court to pay a fine of one dollar each; and to suffer imprisonment and be branded in the right hand with the letter M and to pay the Costs of the prosecution.

And Whereas a considerable number of respectable Citizens of the said County of Perry and adjoining Counties as also the Judge who tried the said Walker and Jones as well as the Judge who presided on the said trial have all joined in petitions to the Executive that the said Walker and the said Jones may be pardoned and that the punishment to be inflicted by the Law may be remitted.

Wherefore I Walter Leake Governor of the State of Mississippi do by virtue of the Power and authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of this State pardon the said offenses & hereof the said Fabian Walker and the said William Jones stand convicted and do hereby remit the said six months imprisonment and also that standing on the right hand with the letter (R) directed by the said sentence of the said Court to be severally inflicted on them; the fines and costs of prosecution: But this pardon is granted on the Condition that the said Fabian Walker and William Jones pay the said fines and costs of the prosecution before they be discharged from Custody

Given under my hand and seal this 22nd day of October 1823 and of the Independence of the United States the 48th

(L.S.)

Signed Walter Leake

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State of Mississippi

Whereas at a Circuit Court held for the County of Monroe at the Court House thereof at Aberdeen June 1823 a certain James Kelly was convicted of the crime of Rotery, and the Judge of the said Court did pronounce the sentence of the law against the said James Kelly.

And whereas also the Jury who tried the said James Kelly for the said offence did recommend him as a fit subject for the exercise of executive Clemency, and the Judge who presided on the said trial did concur with the Jury in their said recommendation and a considerable number of the respectable citizens of the said County have petitioned the Executive that a pardon may be extended to the said James Kelly.

Now therefore I Walter Leake Governor of the State of Mississippi do by virtue of the Power in me vested by the Constitution and laws of this State hereby pardon the said crime of which the said James Kelly has been convicted and do remit the punishment which he was sentenced by the said Court to suffer.

(L.S.)

Given under my hand and the great seal of the State this 20th day of November 1823. and of the Independence of the United States the 48th

Signed Walter Leake

State of Mississippi.

Whereas at a Circuit Court held in and for the County aforesaid one Charles McCoy was convicted of the offence of Assault and Battery, and was fined by the said Court in the sum of two Hundred dollars and was sentenced to suffer two months imprisonment.

And Whereas also the said Charles McCoy together with a number of respectable citizens of the said County of Lawrence have petitioned the Executive to have the said unexpired sentence remitted and said part of the said fine as should appear reasonable remitted, representing the said Charles McCoy as a poor man and having a family of children and a situation requiring his attention.

Now therefore I Alexander Lea Governor of the State of Mississippi do by virtue of the Powers vested in me by the Constitution and Laws of this State hereby pardon the said offence and remit the remaining part of the two weeks imprisonment and I do hereby also remit fifty dollars part of the said fine of two Hundred dollars, leaving the remaining part of said fine one Hundred and fifty dollars and the Costs of this prosecution excepted from the operation of the Pardon. And furthermore this Pardon and remission is granted upon the Condition that the said Charles McCoy pay the Costs of the said prosecution and also enter into bond with good security to be approved of by any Judge or Justices of the County Court or by the Clerk of said County payable within six months from the date thereof to the County Treasurer for the use of the said County in the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars the remaining part of the said fine

Given under my hand and seal this 18th day of October 1853. and in the 48th year of American Independence

By the Governor Alexander Lea

To Alexander Lea Governor of the State of Mississippi

To the Sheriff of Lawrence County.

Whereas it has been represented to me that a certain Insurrection of Lawrence County may be fully printed by the publication of Handbills for warning and engaging executive measures of the Statutes in such cases made and provided. And whereas respectable inhabitants of the said County have represented themselves respectable orderly and industrious citizens and a fit

...ve subject for the ...

...Know ye that by virtue of the Powers & authority ... in me vested as Governor ...
the State aforesaid I do hereby ... the said Reuben J Leeper and ...
Submit Only five dollars of the aforesaid fine to ... that the ...
said Leeper shall pay the remaining five dollars and the costs ...
of prosecution.

Given under my hand as the Great Seal of ...
the State at the Town of ... this ... day of ...
1824.

By the Governor
John A Grimes
Sec'y of State

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Jackson January ... 1824

Fellow Citizens of the Senate and House of Representatives

I have this day taken the several oaths prescribed by the Constitution and laws of this State to be taken by the Governor before he enters on the duties of his office.

Thus Honored by my fellow citizens with the high station of Chief Magistrate of the State, it was my intention after having served the terms for which I had been elected, to have retired to the exalted station of a Private Citizen; nor did I abandon that intention, until I was earnestly solicited by several distinguished citizens from different parts of the State who were believed to possess a correct knowledge of public opinion; and who appeared to be well convinced that to permit my name to be used as a candidate for the same station, would meet the approbation of a decided majority of my fellow Citizens throughout the State. Under those circumstances! I could no longer hesitate to express a willingness to serve a people whom I owed so much; and who, after having witnessed my conduct in the various stations which I had held in their service, again expressed a wish that I should still continue therein

The result of the Elections has fully realized the anticipations of my most sanguine friends, and by affording an evidence of the high confidence reposed in me by my fellow Citizens has filled my breast with all those sensibilities so much easier felt than described.

I avail myself of this opportunity through the General Assembly, of tendering to my fellow Citizens throughout the State my grateful acknowledgments for this additional manifestation of their esteem and confidence, & assure them that although I may frequently err, I shall nevertheless, use all my best abilities will enable me devote my time and attention as to any practical effort to promote their best interests

Walter Leake

Walter Lake Governor of the State of Mississippi

To the Sheriff of Monroe County

Whereas Robert Shirley a Citizen of Monroe County was fined in the sum of twenty dollars as a defaulting juror, and whereas it has been represented to me by many respectable citizens of said County that the aforesaid Robert Shirley is a sober orderly and well disposed Citizen and that his absence was unavoidable from sickness and that he is a fit and proper subject for executive clemency. Now know ye that by virtue of the power in me vested as Governor of this State aforesaid I do hereby pardon the said Robert Shirley and remit the aforesaid fine of twenty dollars the costs of the case only excepted.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State at the town of Jackson this 16th day of Jan'y 1894

By the Governor

Walter Lake

Secretary of State

Jackson January the 12th 1894

To the Honorable House of Representatives of Bill entitled "an act for the relief of Belay & Ivan Landrum" for the consideration of the Legislature.

Because no provision is made for all such cases as the one embraced by the Bill under consideration by the 66th Section of an act entitled "an Act for the punishment of Crimes and misdemeanors" passed on the 14th day of June 1892 that act it is enacted "that" whosoever shall apprehend and take one or more persons guilty of an offence punishable with death by this act, and prosecute him her or them to conviction shall for every such offender so convicted after such Conviction a warrant on the treasury of the State for the sum of Hundred dollars on producing a certificate to the auditor of Public account the Court before whom such felon or felons shall be convicted." It would seem that nothing more was necessary to entitle Belay & Ivan Landrum the reward of one hundred dollars, than to have produced a certificate the Court before whom the Conviction was had" to the Auditor of Public account that she had apprehended and prosecuted to conviction the said offenders but for the informality of the Certificate of Conviction the Auditor cannot audit the it merited only occasion a short delay which a letter pointing out the informality insufficiency of the certificate, would be sent to the Clerk of that Court before whom the Conviction was had, for a sufficient Certificate.

It Because if a special law should be passed in every such case, no provision should be made for it the General law on that subject would

a more dead letter and copy of [illegible] and the Clerk
[illegible] of the Legislature to appoint the [illegible] Chairman
of the Board so that where the person appointed presenting to count
two such slates, would receive upwards of one hundred dollars, the date
many the expence of [illegible] less than three hundred dollars that no one would be
to be a candidate for [illegible] many; that where any person has a claim on the State
founded on a general law such claimant ought to comply with the requisites
of the law in order to obtain his claim; and that no special law ought to grant
relief in such cases only as are not embraced by any general law.

Signed Walter Leake

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Natchez January 12th 1824

Dear Sir

In conformity to the Journal of the Senate of the State of
the 9th February 1818. I have the honor to present you as director of the
Bank of the State of Mississippi for the present Year.

I am respectfully Your Obt Servt

James C. Wilkinson Esqr. Walter Leake

Cashier of the Bank of the State of Mississippi

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Natchez January the 14th 1824

Dear Sir

In conformity to the act of the General Assembly approved the
9th day of February 1818. I have this day appointed the following named
Gentlemen as directors of the Bank of the State of Mississippi on the part
of the State for the present year (viz) Samuel Gwathmey, James C. Wilkinson,
Edward Turner, Joseph Persons and John Joor.

I have the honor to be, Sir very respectfully
Your obedt Servt

Robt Dickerson Esqr. Walter Leake

Cashier of the Bank of the State of Mississippi

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Walter Leake Governor of the State of Mississippi

To the Adjutant of the 9th Regiment of the Militia of this State
and to all others whom it may concern.

Whereas at a Regimental Court martial held by the officers of
the 9th Regiment of the Militia of this State in the Town of Natchezville
on Monday the 30th day of November 1823. Robert Gordan a Captain of a

Company of Militia in the said District was fined by the Court Martial for his non attendance at a Regimental [illegible] Union, in the sum (as it is suppose) of twenty five dollars, and Robert Gordon was also fined by the same Court Martial for the same [illegible] said place for a failure in ordering out his Company agreeable to order to them issued in the room of (as it is supposed) twenty five dollars. And whereas the Court Martial which assessed the said fines have represented the said Robert Gordon to me as a fit object of Executive Clemency and have petitioned that the said fines may be remitted.

Now therefore Be it known that having maturely considered the representations aforesaid I do by virtue of the powers in me vested as Governor of the State aforesaid remit the said Regimental fines or whatever more specific against him

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State at Jackson this 19th day of Jan 1824 and in the 48 Year of American Independence

Walter Leake

By the Governor

Edward Hall Secty of State

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Walter Leake Governor of the State of Mississippi

To the Coroner of Jackson County

Whereas it has been represented to me that Edward Williamson late Sheriff for the aforesaid County is deceased and that said office is now Vacant, Now therefore Be it known that by virtue of the powers in me vested as Governor of the State aforesaid I do issue this my Writ directing and requiring you to hold an Election in your County, on the second Monday of February next and the day following for the purpose of supplying the said Vacancy. And I do moreover enjoin upon you to conduct the said Election in all respects conformably to

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State at the Town of Jackson this 2nd day of February A.D. 1824.

By the Governor Walter Leake

Edward Hall

Secty of State

To the Sheriff of Adams County

Whereas it has been represented to me that a vacancy exists in the office of Coroner at the late August Election for said County and that said office is now vacant; Now therefore Know ye that by virtue of the powers in me vested as Governor of the State aforesaid I do issue this writ directing and requiring you to hold an Election in your County on Monday the sixteenth day of February next and the day following for the purpose of supplying the aforesaid vacancy. And I do command you hereby to conduct the said Election in all respects according to law.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State at the Town of Jackson this 21st day of January A.D. 1824.

By the Governor

Walter Leake

Ishum A. Crisdale Secretary of State

Spring Place, June the 22 1824

Sir

Having just returned from Jackson I did not receive your letter of the 4th instant until yesterday. Under a Section I received by the hands of Mr Curtis a Specimen Copy of the revised Code which in all respects meets my most sanguine expectations and should the whole number of Copies bear a comparison with the Specimen, they will receive my entire approbation, and cannot fail to afford the highest satisfaction to the General Assembly and to the Citizens throughout the State.

You state that Public officers in your vicinity are anxious to get hold the work. To accommodate those authorized by law to receive them you are hereby charged to deposite with the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Adams County a number equal to three fourths of the several officers entitled to them in the County of Natchez and the County of Adams, taking the receipt of the Clerk for the same. The Clerk will distribute them to the most prominent officers entitled by law to receive them. The reason of limiting the number to three fourths is, as it is possible the whole number of the books may be insufficient to distribute one to each individual contemplated by the Law providing for their distribution and the deficiency if any, should be apportioned among the several Counties in proportion to their number of officers in each. The Clerk will also take a receipt from each individual officer to whom he may deliver a copy as he will be held to account for the number he receives.

The distribution [illegible] of State and as [illegible] of the officers of the State
ber of the books he will make no proper apportionment among
Counties and should the number delivered to the Clerk of the Circuit Court
of Adams County fall short of the proper number, the deficiency could be
made up by the Secretary before the ballance will be [illegible] from stereotype
the notation to the extra copies which [illegible] to have my proposition
to sell before you furnish to the State the whole of the 1500 copies. My
proportion of the whole number of copies printed will be about 150 per
I can have no objection to your putting such a number as not to exceed
to more than that proportion to the number bound, as the binding [illegible]
by disposing of 15 out of every hundred as they are bound. I think no
could attach to any one, but as the dispositions of the work has been
long delayed it would perhaps be deemed unproper to fill a greater
proportion

I am very respectfully your obt. Servt.

Walter Leake

Signed

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Walter Leake Governor of the State of Mississippi

To the Sheriff of Adams County and to all others whom it may concern

Whereas at a circuit Court holden for the County of Adams
Certain Hardy L Bragnell was convicted of having with others, committed
an assault and Battery upon [illegible] Stephenson and was sentenced by the
said Court to pay a fine of fifty dollars for the same

and whereas the
who presided on the said trial together with a number of respectable
of the said County the said Hardy L Bragnell as a person of good
deportment, and have recommended him to the Clemency of the Executive
I do therefore by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution
laws of this State, Pardon the said Hardy L Bragnell for the said offence
do remit the said fine of fifty dollars the Costs of the prosecution
excepted. But this Pardon and remission is granted only upon
that the said Hardy L Bragnell pay the Costs of the said prosecution

Given under my hand and the Great seal of
State this 26th day of January 1828 and
48th Year of the Independence of the United

Signed Walter Leake

Walter Leake

To any Justice of the Peace Sheriff Coroner Notary Public or Constable within the State of Mississippi

Whereas Martin Shadrick has this day resigned his said offices now Vacant

Know Ye that by virtue of the Power in me vested as Governor of the State aforesaid I do hereby appoint directing and requiring you to hold an election in your County on the fourth of March next and day following for the purpose of supplying the aforesaid Vacancy and I do moreover require you to conduct the said Elections in all respects conformably to law

Given under my hand and the Great seal of the State at the Town of Jackson the 4th day of February A.D. 1824

By the Governor Walter Leake

John A Ellis

Secty of State

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Walter Leake Governor of the State of Mississippi

To the Sheriff of Adams County and to all others whom it may concern

Whereas at the last term of the Circuit Court held in and for the County of Adams; Owen Byrnes and John Holden were convicted of two offences of retailing spirituous liquors without license on three several days and were by the said Court sentenced to pay a fine of twenty dollars in each case And whereas a number of respectable citizens of said County have represented that the circumstances under the said offences were committed were of a character which entitled no moral guilt and have recommended the said Byrnes & Holden as fit subjects for the exercise of Executive Clemency Therefore I do hereby pardon the said offences and do remit the said fines, the Costs of the Prosecution only excepted

Given under my Hand and Seal this 14th day of Febry. 1824 and in the 48th Year of American Independance

Walter Leake

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Walter Leake Governor of the State of Mississippi

To the Sheriff of Adams County and all others whom it may Concern

Whereas at a Special Term of the Circuit Court held in and for the County of Adams in February instant a Forfeiture was taken on a recognizance in the sum of $2000 entered into at the May term of said Court in the year 1821 by Levi Sewell and James Gay, to the appearance of said Gay at the next term of the said Court to answer for a certain offence with which the said Gay stood charged.

And Whereas a number of respectable citizens of the said County have

petitioned that the said [redacted] stating that [redacted] for some time since departed this life and could not be found and that the said Levi Purnell is a fit subject for the exercise of Executive Clemency. Wherefore I do hereby remit the said fine of two thousand dollars and discharge the said Purnell from the payment of the same leaving the costs of the prosecution only excepted.

Given under my hand and seal this 15th day of February 1824. and in the 48th year of American Independence

Walter Leake

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Walter Leake Governor of the State of Mississippi

To the Sheriff of Adams County and to all others whom it may concern

Whereas at the January Term of the Criminal Court held and for the City of Natchez and County of Adams a certain Terence Smith was convicted of the Crime of Larceny and was by the said Court sentenced to receive thirty stripes, lashes on his bear back and stand in the pillory two hours and to stand committed until the costs of the prosecution be paid and whereas a number of respectable citizens of the said City and County have recommended the said Terence Smith to the Executive as a proper subject for the exercise of Executive Clemency and have petitioned that he may be pardoned for the said crimes and the Judge of the said court has joined in the said recommendation. I do therefore pardon the said Terence and remit the said punishment the costs of prosecution only excepted. But nevertheless on the following condition (viz) that the said Terence Smith pay the costs of the said prosecution before he be discharged from Custody.

Given under my hand and seal this 20th day of February 1824 A.D.

Walter Leake

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The State of Mississippi

Walter Leake Governor of the State of Mississippi

To the Sheriff of Adams County and to all others whom it may concern

Whereas at the last Term of the Criminal Court held in and for the County of Adams a certain William Nicholson was convicted of the Crime of Forgery, and was by the said court sentenced to suffer death and whereas a number of respectable citizens of the said County of Adams have petitioned that the said Wm. Nicholson should be pardoned the said offence representing him as a fit subject for the Executive clemency

Now therefore I do hereby by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of this State by the Constitution and laws thereof pardon

[illegible] recommended by [illegible] which he has been sentenced by the [illegible] of the Jurisdiction aforesaid to be executed upon the express condition that he said Williams shall first pay the costs incurred by the State in the said prosecution before he is discharged: and that the said Williams shall not appear within the date of this Pardon [illegible] this State and persist returning again, and should he be found within the limits of this State after the expiration of the said date he shall be dealt with as a person escaped from jail under sentence of death.

Given under my Hand and seal this 28th day of February 1824 and in the 48th year of American Independence

Walter Leake

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Jackson March 6th 1824

Dear Sir

Your note of the 17th of January has been received, in which you state that you have received from the Secretary of State of the United States a Pass to my address, the expenses on which are 150/100 by advice from the Secretary of State that Pass contains the laws of the United States. You will be good enough to ship them to Natchez to the Care of Mr — Boardman of that place and of occurrence to you by the Freight and send the account of the whole expenses incurred in returning thereto or a draft on me for the amount, and it shall be promptly paid to

I have the honor to be very respectfully your obdt Servt

Walter Leake

Mr John Hankinson

Natchez

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Walter Leake Governor of the State of Mississippi

To the Sheriff of Adams County and to all others whom it may Concern

Whereas at the January Term of the Criminal Court held in the City of Natchez in and for the County of Adams a certain Brazil Shorter a free man of Colour was tried for and convicted of the Crime of Burglary and was by said Court sentenced to suffer death.

And whereas a number of respectable Citizens of said County have represented to the Executive of this State that the said Brazil Shorter may be pardoned and that the punishment which he has been sentenced to suffer may be remitted. Now therefore I do by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and Laws of this State, Pardon the said offence and remit the said punishment which the said Brazil Shorter has been sentenced to suffer, the Costs of the prosecution only excepted.

But this pardon and remission granted on the following
that the said Brazil Shorter pay the Costs of the prosecution by
from Custody. and that he the said Brazil Shorter shall not
from the date of this pardon leave the State of Mississippi
return thereto again, and that if the said Brazil Shorter shall
peration of the said twelve months from the date of this pardon be found
within the limits thereof unless brought by force then this pardon shall cease
to operate. and the said Brazil Shorter shall be dealt with as if
having escaped from jail under sentence of death.

Given under my hand and the Great seal of the
at Jackson this sixth day of March 1824
48th year of the Independance of the United States
of America

Walter Leake

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Jackson March the 6th 1824

Dear Sir

Your communication of the 18th December relative to
State of the Public arms received from Lieut Isaac Stevens, was duly
in the due Course of the mail, but being at that time much engaged
in the business of the Legislature, I had not time to attend to it
You state that some of the muskets are rusty and the longer they
in the present order they will be getting worse, if you will without delay
pley some person to clean them and have them well secured from the
and other injury and forward the account for the cost for the same
at this place

I have the honor to be Sir
very respectfully your obt Servt

Walter Leake

Genl John Richards

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Jackson March 6th 1824

Dear Sir

Inclosed you will find a pardon for Brazil Shorter
petition for this pardon has been under consideration for a considerable
and although his claim for the exercise of Executive Clemency is by no
very clear yet perhaps it ought to be extended to him under the limi
and conditions annexed in the pardon. The great inconveniences and
fluries to society arriving from that class of People to which Shorter
have induced me to annex these conditions to the pardon which I
may operate as a check on his vicious propensities and thereby to
he may reinstate: This man's case had not escaped my recollection

[illegible] your last communication [illegible] I have deferred
[illegible] in expectation some time to afford the opportunity of more correct
[illegible] might perhaps produce a satisfactory effect but have [illegible]
made no communication to you on the subject

I am Sir Very respectfully your obt. Servt.

J. W. Grayson Esq.

Walter Leake

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I hereby acknowledge to have received of the United States by the hands
Lt. Isaac T. Adams of the Corps of the United States Army the following arms (Viz.)
192 Muskets The whole being equivalent to three hundred and ninety two muskets
which are received on account of the Quota of arms due the State of Miss
under the act of April 1808 for arming and Equipping the whole body of the
Militia; and for which I have signed triplicate receipts

Given at Jackson this 6th day of March 1824

Walter Leake Govr of the State of
Mississippi

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Jackson March 6th 1824

Lt Isaac T. Adams

Sir

I send you enclosed herewith triplicate receipts for
three hundred and ninety two Muskets which have been received by Coln Thos
Hardy Quarter Master General of this State. The delay in transmitting to you
the receipts has been owing to my being engaged at the time I received the Quarter
Master General's acknowledgement of the arrival of the muskets at Natchez and to
absence from this place for several days past

I have the honor to be Sir

Your most respectfully your obt Servt.

Walter Leake

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Walter Leake Governor of the State of Mississippi

To the Sheriff of Monroe County

Whereas it has been represented to me that Alexander Anderson who was elected Coroner
and for Monroe County, has failed to give bond and security agreeably to the
law in such case made and provided and that the said office of Coroner is now
vacant: I do therefore issue this writ directing and requiring you to hold an election
your County on Monday the twenty fourth day of April next and the day follow
to supply said vacancy and I do moreover enjoin you to conduct the
election in all respects conformably to law

Given under my hand and the
Great seal of the State at the

[illegible] this 16th day of March 1894

By the Governor signed Walter Leake

John A Grumbles

Secty of State

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Walter Leake Governor of the State of Mississippi

To the Sheriff of Warren County

Whereas it has been represented to me by the Executive of the State of Habanna that a certain Thomas Neely otherwise called Thomas White did on the 27th day of December 1893 feloniously steal take and carry away certain property of Citizens of the said State of Habanna and whereas it has been represented to me that the said Thomas Neely otherwise called Thomas White is now in the jail of Warren County in this State. I do therefore by virtue of the powers in me vested as Governor of the State aforesaid and in pursuance to the act of Congress in such case made and provided order and require you to give up the Body of John J Bertolet or of Parson George the said Thomas Neely otherwise called Thomas White that he may be taken to the State of Habanna there to be dealt with according to justice and for so doing this shall be your warrant

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State at the Town of Jackson this 16th day of March

By the Governor Walter Leake

John A Grumbles

Secretary of State

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Walter Leake Governor of the State of Mississippi

To any Justice of the County Court of Sampson County

Whereas it has been represented to me that the offices of Sheriff and Coroner in and County are both Vacant and it is important that they be filled I do therefore issue this writ of Election directing and requiring you to hold an election in your County on the first monday in August next and the day following for the purpose of Ely Nicholson and James B Pettigrew to represent said vacancies in the office of a representative to congress and to the State Legislature. And I enjoin you to conduct the said Election in all respects conformably to Laws under my hand and the Great Seal of the State at Jackson the 5th July 1894

By the Governor Walter Leake

John A Grumbles

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Walter Leake Gov

To the Sheriff of Adams County and to all other Civil Officers

Whereas at the July Term of the Criminal Court for Adams County a certain Coleman Phillips was convicted of the crime of Forgery and was sentenced by the said Court to be hanged on monday the thirtieth day of August (instant)

And whereas the Judge before whom the said Coleman Phillips was tried and the Jury who tried him, together with a number respectable inhabitants of the said County, have earnestly recommended the said Prisoner as a fit subject for the exercise of Executive Clemency

I do therefore by these presents Pardon the said offence of which the said Coleman Phillips has been convicted and do remit the punishment which he has been sentenced to suffer.

Given under my hand and seal this 21st day of August 1824 and in the 49th year of Mississippi Independence

Walter Leake

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Walter Leake Governor of the State of Mississippi

To John Forsyth the Sheriff below and to all other officers and Citizens of this State to whom these presents may come Whereas the Governor of the State of Alabama hath demanded from the Governor of this State a certain Joseph Loftin alledged to be a fugitive from justice in the said State of Alabama charged with the crime of murder and whereas it is represented to me that the said Joseph Loftin is now lurking about and within this State Now are therefore to require you and each of you forthwith to apprehend the said Loftin wheresoever he may be found within the limits of this State and to deliver over to such Person or Persons as may be authorized by the Governor of the State of Alabama to receive him for the purpose of conveying him from this State to the State of Alabama in order to be tried for the said Crime of murder as alledged against him and in case no agent should appear authorized by the Governor of Alabama to receive and Conduct him thence Now to Commit the said Loftin to some jail in this State there to remain for the space of six months from the date of the said Commitment unless an agent as above directed should sooner appear to receive him

Given under my hand and the Great seal of the State of Mississippi this 7th day of September 1824 and in the 49th year of Independence

Walter Leake

By the Governor

John A Grimball

Secty of State

Head Quarters Division

Gen. John Quincy Adams Brigadier Genl. &c.

of the State of Mississippi

To

Your will deliver to Capt.

first Lieutenant William H. Cochran second Lieutenant Samuel Coburn and Ensign

Fielder Offutt fifty Flat [redacted] consisting of necessary Bayonets and Accoutrements as [redacted] and may be in your possession they

Commanding a Volunteer Corps styled the Mississippi Guards entitled

ment of this First Brigade first Division, in the Mississippi Militia

on their signing Receipts for them making themselves responsible for the

and redelivering of the same whenever they may be called for by the

cutive of this State for that purpose

Given this [redacted] to be for yours &c

signed Walter Leake

Natchez September 9th 1824

Dear Sir

Under cover you will find a duplicate of a letter which I wrote

to you on the 8th September 1823 in relation to a Township or thirty six sections

of lands, granted by Congress to the State of Mississippi for the support of

Seminary of learning within the same. At that time I had selected twenty

sections, since that time I have selected eight sections more in two tracts

four sections each which completes the thirty six sections granted by Congress

for the aforesaid purpose. The first of these two latter tracts (which makes the

eighth tract including those reported to you last year and described in the

enclosed duplicate) includes sections five and six in Township seven

two East Section 31 of Township 8 Range two East and section 36 of Township

8 Range 1 East. The second tract of the two latter, being the ninth tract

in the whole number of tracts includes sections 3. 4. 9 and 10 of Township

Range 1 East.

A particular discription of those tracts are now submitted for

your sanction. The two tracts described in this communication lie as

described in my Communication of the 8th of September 1823 having the sec-

tions so connected that each section in each tract touches another

at whole lengths and not merely at their diagonal corners.

Your attention to this subject as early as convenient will confer a

galion on this State. The Session of the General Assembly will commence the

first monday in January next and it is very desirable that the Legislature

should be apprised of your appropriations of these sections and of those

located thereon in order that provision may be made for the [redacted]

as well as leasing, and the lands for the benefit of the institution

Know the Reason

respectfully

The Hon. William H. Crawford

Secretary of the Treasury U.S.

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Walter Leake Governor of the State of Mississippi

To the Sheriff of Adams County and to all whom it may concern

Whereas at the present April term of the Circuit Court of Adams County a certain

John Reuades was convicted of the offence of [redacted] been sentenced to suffer

certain Corporal Punishment on Saturday the first day of May ensuing. And

whereas the Jury who tried the said John Reuades have unanimously recommended

him to the mercy of the Executive. I do therefore respite the execution of the said sentence

of the Court and postpone the same until Saturday the tenth day of May ensuing

In testimony whereof I have hereunto signed my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State

at Jackson this 28th day of April

in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty four and of the

Independence of the United States of America the forty eighth

Walter Leake

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Walter Leake Governor of the State of Mississippi

To the Coroner of Hinds County

Whereas John Lee late Sheriff of Hinds County has resigned. I do therefore issue

this writ of election directing and requiring you to hold an election in your county

the fourth monday and day following of April next to fill the vacancy occasioned

by the aforesaid resignation. And whereof I do enjoin upon you to conduct

said election in all respects conformably to law

Given under my hand and the Great seal of the State

at Jackson the 29th day of March 1824 and of the

Independence of the United States of America the 48th

By the Governor Walter Leake

John A Grimball

Secty of State

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Walter Leake Governor of the State of Mississippi

To the Sheriff of Lawrence County and to all others whom it may concern

Know at a circuit Court held in and for the County of Lawrence at March

1824 a certain John Rogers was convicted of the offence of an assault and

battery with intent to kill committed on the of a certain Robert Powell and

sentenced by the said Court to suffer one days imprisonment to pay a

fine of one hundred dollars and the Costs of the Prosecution and to stand com-

mitted until the said fine and costs were paid

And whereas a number of respectable inhabitants of said County

have a petition praying that the said John Rogers may be

Pardoned for the said offence and that the said imprison-
ment may be remitted

Now therefore I do hereby Pardon the said offe-
the said imprisonment and also do remit one hundred and
part of the aforesaid fine, leaving fifty dollars of remaining part of
said fine and the Costs of the prosecution duly exacted

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the
State this 4th day of April 1824 and
Year of the recession Independence
Signed Walter Leake

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Walter Leake Governor of the State of Mississippi

To any Justice of the County of Simpson County

Whereas it has been represented to me that the County of Simpson is without a Sh
and Coroner I do therefore issue this writ of election, directing and requiring y
to hold an Election in your County on the fourth monday and day following
in this month for the purpose of electing a Sheriff and Coroner for the C
of Simpson. And moreover I do enjoin upon you to conduct said Election in
respects conformably to law.

Given under my Hand and the Great S
the State at the Town of Jackson the 6th
April 1824

By the Governor Walter Leake

John A Grimball

Secretary of State

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Walter Leake Governor of the State of Mississippi

To the Coroner of Covington County

Whereas it has been represented to me that William McCormick who
elected Sheriff of Covington County at the late August election, under
Wayne County and that the aforesaid office is now vacant Now
Know ye that by virtue of the powers in me vested as Governor
State aforesaid. I do issue this writ of election, directing and requiring
you to hold an election in your county on monday the sixteenth
of February next and the day following for the purpose of electing
Sheriff to supply the aforesaid vacancy and moreover I do enjoin
to conduct the said election in all respects conformably to law

Given under my hand and the Great seal of the
at the Town of Jackson the 20th Jany. 1824

By the Governor Walter Leake

John A Grimball

Secretary of State

Walter Leake

To all who shall see these presents

Whereas at the March Term of the Circuit Court held for the year 1824 in and for the County of Lawrence Thomas Harrison was convicted of the crime of wilful murder and sentenced to suffer death And whereas it has been represented to me by many respectable persons that the said Thomas Harrison is a fit and proper subject of Executive Clemency:

Now Know Ye that by virtue of the powers in me vested as Governor of the State aforesaid I do hereby respite and suspend the execution of the aforesaid Thomas Harrison until Wednesday the thirteenth day of June next

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State at the Town of Jackson this 26th day of April A.D. 1824

(L.S.)

By the Governor

Walter Leake

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Secretary of State.

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Walter Leake Governor of the State of Mississippi

To the Sheriff of Hinds County and to all whom it may concern

Whereas at the April Term of the Circuit Court held and for Hinds County on the first Month a certain Emanuel Pryor was convicted of the crime of forgery and one of part of the Jury who tried the said Emanuel Pryor and the Judge before whom he tried and also a number of respectable citizens of the said County have recommended him to the Executive Clemency I do therefore in virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State pardon the offence of forgery whereof the said Emanuel Pryor is convicted and do remit the punishment which he has been sentenced by the said court to suffer the costs of the prosecution only excepted

Given under my hand and seal this 26th day of April

(L.S.)

1824 in the 48th year of the Independance of the United States of America

Walter Leake

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Sprague Maine April the 2nd 1824

Dear Sir

Your communications of the 20th instant has been received You state that arms received from the United States are in much worse condition than was stated that the repairs will amount to 75 cents a piece After having secured report of the persons who are appointed to inspect the arms on their delivery the operation was entirely unexpected But nevertheless the Public interest requires the arms such as they are should be put and kept in order you will therefore proceed to have them repaired upon the best terms in your power provided the persons employed on that service will wait until the month of January for their compensation

I have the honor to be

Your obedient Servant

Walter Leake

Genl Thos Richards

Quarter Master Gen.l

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Brig. Gen.l S. McC. Texas

Sir I have the honor to inform you that the sentence of Corp.l William Barnard of the 4th Regiment of Mo. Mo. (G.) which was by your communication of the 22nd instant is accepted upon order an Election to fill the vacancy occasioned thereby.

Your respectfully

Walter Leake

Genl S. M. Texas

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Walter Leake Governor of the State of Mississippi

To the Sheriff of Adams County and all others whom it may co

Whereas at the present Spring Term of the Circuit Court of Adams C a certain John Ranneday was convicted of the crime of deceit, and was sentenced by the said Court to pay the sum of four hundred dollars five times the sum of the money charged in the indictment as now of Riddle and that he should stay a fine of three hundred dollars in the pillory two hours and pay the costs of the prosecution.

And whereas the Jury who tried the said John Ranneday have strongly recommended him to the Clemency of the Executive. I do th by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and laws State pardon the said offence and remit the corporeal punishment or that have been sentenced to suffer and three hundred and sixty dollars, pa the four hundred and fifty dollars And I do also remit one hundre fifty dollars part of the fine of three hundred and fifty dollars leaving dollars part of the four hundred and fifty dollars and one hundred and dollars the remaining part of the three hundred dollars and the Cost Prosecution excepted from the operation of this pardon.

But nevertheless this pardon is granted upon this condition th said John Ranneday pay the said sixty dollars and the said one hund fifty dollars and also the Costs of the prosecution on or before the time Expiration of the sentence of the said Court—

Given under my hand and seal this 27th day of April 1824 and in the forty eighth year of the Independence of the United States

Walter Leake

Walter Lake

To the Sheriff of Adams County and All others whom it may concern

Whereas at the present April Term of the Criminal Court of Adams County a certain John Monette was convicted of the offence of deceit and has been sentenced by the said Court to pay the sum of one thousand and fifty dollars being five times the sum of money charged in the indictment as now of Daniel Monette and that he should pay a fine of three hundred dollars— that he stand in the pillory two hours and have ten lashes on his bare back and pay costs And whereas a number of respectable citizens of Adams County have recommended the said John Monette to the Clemency of the Executive I do therefore by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and laws of this State pardon the said offence and remit the Corporeal punishment which he has been sentenced to suffer and I do also remit eight hundred and forty dollars part of the said one thousand and fifty dollars and I do also remit one hundred and fifty dollars part of the said three hundred dollars leaving two hundred and ten dollars the remaining part of the one thousand and fifty dollars and one hundred and fifty dollars the remaining part of the three hundred dollars and the costs of the prosecution excepted from the operation of this pardon. But nevertheless this pardon is granted upon the express condition that the said John Monette pay the said two hundred and ten dollars and also the costs of the prosecution on or before the issue of the execution of the sentence of the said Court

Given under my hand and seal this 30th day of April (L.S.) 1824 and in the forty eighth year of the Independence of the United States

Walter Lake

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Walter Leake Governor of the State of Mississippi

To the Sheriff of Adams County and all others whom it may concern

Whereas at the present April Term of the Criminal Court of Adams County a certain Eli Sutton was convicted of the offence of deceit and has been sentenced by the said Court to pay the sum of three thousand two hundred dollars being five times the sum of money charged in the indictment as now of Eli Sutton and that he should pay a fine of three hundred dollars stand in the pillory two hours and pay costs And whereas a number of respectable citizens of Adams County have recommended the said John Monette to the Clemency of the executive I do therefore by virtue of the powers in me vested by the Constitution and laws of this State pardon the said offence and remit the Corporeal punishment which he has been sentenced to suffer and I do also remit two thousand five hundred and sixty dollars part of the said three thousand two hundred dollars and I do also remit one hundred and forty dollars part of the said three hundred dollars leaving six hundred and forty dollars the remaining part of the said three thousand two hundred and two hundred and fifty dollars the remaining part of the said

three hundred dollars and [redacted] of the [redacted] Execution
tion of this par[redacted] But [redacted] this pardon is granted upon
Condition that [redacted] said John Clarke pay the said six hundred
dollars and the said one Hundred and fifty dollars and also the
prosecution on or before the [redacted] execution of the sentences of the said Court

Given under my hand and seal this 30th day of
1824 and of the Independance of the United States
forty eighth

Walter Leake

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Walter Leake Governor of the State of Mississippi

To the Sheriff of Adams County and to all others whom it may co

Whereas at the [redacted] Term of [redacted] Court of Adams County forfeitures
taken on two several recognisances against a certain William Clark a
to five hundred dollars each entered into by him as bail for the appearance
of Armandez and a certain John Clarke at the said Court to answer an
dictment to be preferred against each of them for the Crime of perjury

And whereas a number of respectable citizens of said County of Ada
have joined in a petition to the Executive that the said two several fo
-tures of five hundred dollars each, taken on the two several recogniz
should be remitted. I do therefore in virtue of the powers vested in me
the constitution and laws of this State remit the said two several forfe
of five hundred dollars each taken as aforesaid on the said two several rec
-es the costs of the Scire facias only excepted

Given under my hand and seal this first day
1824 and in the 48th year of American Inde
Walter Leake

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Walter Leake Governor of the State of Mississippi

To the Sheriff of Adams County and to all others whom it may co

Whereas at the late April Term of the Criminal Court of Adams County a
John Green was convicted of the Crime of Larceny

And whereas the Jury who
said John Green and the Judge before whom he was tried together with
respectable citizens of the said County of Adams have recommended the
John Green as a fit subject for the exercise of Executive Clemency. I do
in virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and laws of
pardon the said Crime of Larceny whereof the said John Green has been
and do remit the punishment which by law ought to be inflicted
the costs of the prosecution only excepted

Given under my hand and
day of May 1824 and in

Walter Leake

To the Senate of Mississippi

To the Senate of Franklin County:

Whereas Charles Claiborne late Sheriff of Franklin County has resigned said office & now vacant I do therefore upon the report of electors directing & requiring you to hold an election in your County on Friday the fourth day of September next and the day following for the purpose of supplying the aforesaid vacancy and whereas I do require you to conduct the said Election in all respects conformably to law

Given under my hand & the Great seal of the State at Jackson the 10th day of May 1824

By the Governor Walter Leake

John A Grisdale

Secty of State

Jackson May 28th 1824

The auditor of Public accounts

Sir

Having investigated the truth of the representation made to the General Assembly in relation to the non compliance in the part of the printers contracted for the printing and binding the revised Code, and found the same to be correct you will therefore in future, be authorized to audit and pass the drafts of Commissioners, appointed to contract for the printing and binding that Work; in the manner as before the passage of an act entitled "an act relative to the revised" approved the 28th of January 1824

I have the honor to be very respectfully yours &c

Walter Leake

Jackson May this 29th 1824

Dear Sir

Your favour of the 10th Instant has been received and duly attended to. Compliance with the act of the General assembly of the last Session after having ascertained the report; that the printers of the revised code had failed to comply with their contract in the printing and binding that work; was incorrect. I reported the same to the Auditor of Public accounts and directed him to issue his warrant on the draft of the Commissioner who contracted with the Printers and binders of the revised Code in the manner as he was authorized to do before the passage of the last recited act. I regret that there is no money in the Treasury to discharge the Auditors warrant. But I trust the Collector of taxes for Adams County has public monies in his hands to take up these warrants in preference to any other.

Your obedient Ser

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Walter Leake

Whereas in compliance with the sixth section of an act of the Gener... the State of Mississippi entitled "an act declaring what laws of a General ... shall be incorporated in the revised Code and providing for the publication thereof" ... thereof 30th 1822 Joshua B. Curtis Esquire was appointed as a "fit person" ... the publication of the said Edition of the laws" and whereas the Governor of ... the time being contracted to pay the said Joshua B Curtis at the rate of fif... lars per annum for such time as his services should be necessarily employ... formance of the duties required of him by the said act which time appears ... year and eight months now therefore I Walter Leake Governor of the ... certify that the said services of the said Joshua B Curtis have been ... faithfully performed and that he is entitled to receive for the same ... five hundred dollars but the said Joshua B Curtis having received on ... of one hundred and fifty dollars the same now due to him from the State ... aforesaid services is two thousand three hundred and fifty dollars Given ... hand at Nickson this 16th day of June 1824

Signed Walter Leake

Jackson June 16th 1824

Dear Sir

A murder was committed in the County of Warren near the ... of Vicksburg which from the manner in which the deceased was murd... supposed to have been committed by a party of Choctaw Indians then in the ... of that place. A warrant was issued by a Magistrate to apprehend and ... upon him the Indians suspected, but one of the Indians however was appr... and brought before the Magistrate, who on his examination through a ... interpreter stated that he saw a white man killed a few days before that by ... Indians one named Billy Cubby, and the other named Neal Cubby. He saw them ... the deceased. It is supposed this murder was committed in retaliation for the ... of an Indian who had several months ago been found dead, and who was ... to have been murdered by a negro man, which negro man was apprehended ... examined touching the death of the said Indian but no evidence being produced ... the negro he was discharged. But the Indians relatives of the deceased ... dissatisfied with the discharge of the negro threatened that they would take ... person in retaliation. I have to request your interference so as to have the ... Indians, Billy Cubby and Neal Cubby apprehended if practicable and upon ... them; or transmit them to the Jail of Warren County where they will be ... fairly and impartial tried and if not found guilty of the murder ... then they will be discharged otherwise it will be a matter of the

[illegible] Killed [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Walter Leak [illegible] State of Miss[illegible]

To the Sheriff of Atkinson County

Whereas it has been represented to me that Col. Wilkes was elected a representative from the County aforesaid to serve during the Session of the General Assembly of this State Notice is therefore upon the writ of Election directing and requiring an election in your County on Thursday the 22nd day of [illegible] and the day following to supply the vacancy aforesaid now I do enjoin you to conduct the said Election in all things formably to Law

Given under my hand and the Seal of the State at Jackson this [illegible] Dec. 1834

Walter Leake

By the Governor

John A. Grimball

Secty. of State

Secretary's Office Dec 6th 1834

I hereby certify that the foregoing and annexed writing is a true copy of the original writ of election issued by me on the application of Col. Wilkes as therein stated and that the return of the Sheriff of Atkinson County to the said writ is now on file in this office

Witness my hand and official seal the day and year above written

John A. Grimball

Secty. of State

Walter Leake

Lieutenant Governor

and Ex officio Secty of State

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of the said County
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by aforesaid

Witness the Honorable Edward the Seventh by the
Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland
King Defender of the Faith Emperor of India and in the Year of
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the Independence of the United States of America the
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United States Consulate of the State of Washington
In the City of Victoria Province of British Columbia

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Salt Lake

post office

Walter Scott Penrose

Clerk of the United States District Court for the District of Colorado

Denver, Colorado

Dear Sir:

Please take notice that I have appointed Walter Scott Penrose as Deputy Clerk of the United States District Court for the District of Colorado, to act in my name, place and stead, and to perform all the duties appertaining to the office of Deputy Clerk.

Witness my hand and the seal of said Court this 30th day of December A.D. 1912.

John H. Marshall

Secretary of State

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Walter Scott Penrose

Deputy Clerk

United States District Court

District of Colorado

Denver, Colorado

Sir:

I have appointed you Deputy Clerk of the United States District Court for the District of Colorado, to act in my name, place and stead, and to perform all the duties appertaining to the office of Deputy Clerk.

Witness my hand and the seal of said Court this 30th day of December A.D. 1912.

Clerk

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Walter Scott Penrose

Deputy Clerk

United States District Court

District of Colorado

Denver, Colorado

Sir:

I have appointed you Deputy Clerk of the United States District Court for the District of Colorado, to act in my name, place and stead, and to perform all the duties appertaining to the office of Deputy Clerk.

Witness my hand and the seal of said Court this 30th day of December A.D. 1912.

Clerk